

## CLAIMS

1. A moisture absorbing formed body comprising a hygroscopic agent and a resinous component.

2. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the hygroscopic agent comprises at least one member selected from the group consisting of the oxides of alkaline earth metals and sulfates.

3. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the hygroscopic agent is at least one member selected from the group consisting of  $\text{CaO}$ ,  $\text{BaO}$  and  $\text{SrO}$ .

4. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the hygroscopic agent is a powder having a specific surface area of not less than  $10 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ .

5. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the hygroscopic agent is a powder having a specific surface area of not less than  $40 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$ .

6. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the hygroscopic agent accounts for 30-95 weight % of the moisture absorbing formed body.

7. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 wherein the resinous component is at least one member selected from the group consisting of fluorine-containing resin, polyolefin resin, polyacrylic

resin, polyacrylonitrile resin, polyamide resin, polyester resin and epoxy resin.

8. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 further comprising a gas absorbent.

9. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 8 wherein the gas absorbent comprises an inorganic porous substance.

10. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1, the surface of which is covered wholly or in part with a resinous covering layer.

11. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1, wherein the resinous component has been fibrillated.

12. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1, wherein the hygroscopic agent is a powder composed of at least one member selected from the group consisting of  $\text{CaO}$ ,  $\text{BaO}$  and  $\text{SrO}$  which has a specific surface area of not less than  $10 \text{ m}^2/\text{g}$  and the resinous component is a fluorine-containing resin.

13. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 12 wherein the fluorine-containing resin has been fibrillated.

14. A moisture absorbing formed body according to Claim 1 for electronic device use.